



ARMY ACQUISITION REFORM



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Credit Card Goal Established

The Army Chief of Staff, General Reimer, sent a memorandum to each MACOM establishing a goal that at least 80% of all contract actions under \$2,500 be made by credit cards. The memo also encourages the use of credit cards for payment of bills up to the limit of \$100,000, and calls for us to take further action to expand the credit card limits for even greater use.

FSCATT Saves 34%

An initial study to determine cost savings to the contractor for Fire Support Combined Arms Tactical Trainer (FSCATT) Phase I found a 34% savings for the Engineering and Manufacturing Phase by executing the program as a Defense Acquisition Pilot Program (DAPP) versus a traditional, non-streamlined program. The estimated cost savings for production is 7% and the total program cost savings is 13%.

CECOM OMNIBUS Contracting

CECOM's OMNIBUS contracting initiative for providing service support has achieved significant pre-award savings of time and resources by combining requirements, thereby reducing the number of acquisitions from 125 to 22. Post-award savings also arise from the reduced burden of contract administration. Opportunities for small business participation have been enhanced, currently about 30%.

Roadshow V Starts Soon

The Total Army Road Show V kicks off the first of thirteen sessions planned for 1996, at MICOM on 5 March. Roadshow V is the latest round in a series of workshops dedicated to reforming and continuously improving the Army acquisition process from cradle to grave. Workshops are planned at numerous sites such as MEDCOM, COE, AMC and TRADOC, and will focus on the use of integrated product teams and total process management. Attendees will also have the opportunity to participate in special electives such as modeling and simulations; market research, streamlining requests for proposals; FACNET implementation and others.